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Consumer Price Index – September 2015

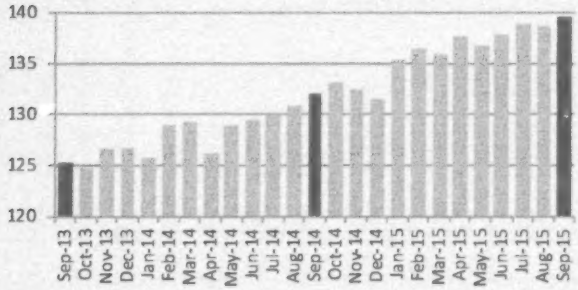
Information released today by Statistics Canada indicates that the Yellowknife All-Items Consumer Price Index rose 1.9% compared to one year ago. By comparison, the annual price increase was 1.0% for Canada, 1.6% for Edmonton, and 0.6% in Whitehorse.

All-Items Consumer Price Index (2002=100)

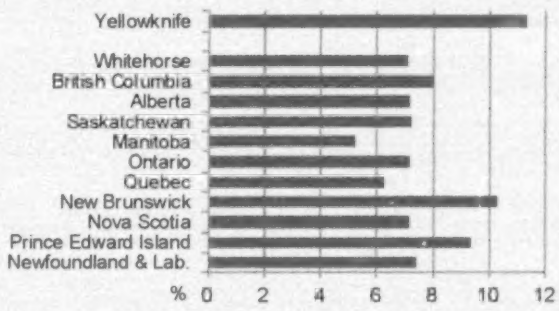
	15-Sep	15-Aug	14-Sep	% Change from 15-Aug	% Change from 14-Sep	12-Month Average 14-Oct 15-Sep	12-Month Average 13-Oct 14-Sep	12-Month Average % Change
Yellowknife	131.2	131.6	128.7	-0.3	1.9	129.9	127.8	1.6
Canada	127.1	127.3	125.8	-0.2	1.0	126.2	124.6	1.3
Edmonton	134.4	134.7	132.3	-0.2	1.6	132.8	131.1	1.3
Whitehorse	125.6	126.0	124.9	-0.3	0.6	124.0	124.3	-0.2

Compared to September 2014, consumer prices increased in Yellowknife for most major components with the exception of shelter. Higher prices for recreation, education & reading (5.6%), food (4.9%) and clothing & footwear (4.6%) were offset by lower prices for fuel oil and other fuels (-24.2%) and gasoline (-10.6%).

CPI - Food from Stores
Yellowknife, September 2013 to September 2015



Percentage Change in Prices - Food From Stores
September 2013 to September 2015



Over the last 2 years, there has been an upward trend in the price of food from stores in Yellowknife. While every jurisdiction in Canada has experienced a price rise over this time, the increase has been more pronounced in Yellowknife.

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Selected Indexes, Yellowknife (2002 = 100)

	15-Sep	15-Aug	14-Sep	% Change from 15-Aug	% Change from 14-Sep
All Items	131.2	131.6	128.7	-0.3	1.9
Food	139.6	139.0	133.1	0.4	4.9
Food from Stores	139.5	138.7	132.1	0.6	5.6
Food from Restaurants	138.4	138.3	136.0	0.1	1.8
Shelter	149.7	150.1	150.6	-0.3	-0.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	188.9	190.8	203.7	-1.0	-7.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	115.1	115.1	112.4	-	2.4
Household Operations	122.5	122.7	121.1	-0.2	1.2
Household Furnishings	99.1	98.9	94.5	0.2	4.9
Clothing & Footwear	104.7	101.6	100.1	3.1	4.6
Clothing	97.8	93.5	93.0	4.6	5.2
Footwear	98.0	98.0	93.1	-	5.3
Clothing Accessories & Jewellery	148.5	144.4	145.0	2.8	2.4
Clothing Material, Notions & Services	110.0	110.0	110.2	-	-0.2
Transportation	122.4	124.5	121.7	-1.7	0.6
Private Transportation	121.8	124.3	121.2	-2.0	0.5
Public Transportation	127.6	128.9	126.8	-1.0	0.6
Health & Personal Care	121.6	119.7	120.1	1.6	1.2
Health Care	117.6	115.1	116.5	2.2	0.9
Personal Care	125.6	124.0	123.9	1.3	1.4
Recreation, Education & Reading	106.8	108.2	101.1	-1.3	5.6
Recreation	102.9	104.8	96.6	-1.8	6.5
Education & Reading	129.7	126.7	128.2	2.4	1.2
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	167.4	167.5	164.1	-0.1	2.0
Alcoholic Beverages	149.1	149.5	148.3	-0.3	0.5
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	189.0	188.7	181.4	0.2	4.2
SPECIAL AGGREGATES:					
Food	129.6	130.2	127.8	-0.5	1.4
Energy	126.9	127.0	123.1	-0.1	3.1
Shelter	123.3	123.7	119.7	-0.3	3.0
Alcoholic Beverages	130.8	131.2	128.2	-0.3	2.0
Tobacco Products	130.1	130.5	127.7	-0.3	1.9
Housing (1986 Definition)	140.2	141.0	139.4	-0.6	0.6
ENERGY AND ITS COMPONENTS:					
Energy	175.8	181.7	193.5	-3.2	-9.1
Electricity	196.8	196.8	189.4	-	3.9
Fuel Oil And Other Fuels	205.0	211.2	270.5	-2.9	-24.2
Natural Gas	..	..	..	..	..
Gasoline	142.7	153.3	159.7	-6.9	-10.6
Fuel, Parts and Supplies for Rect'l Vehicles	..	..	..	..	..

Notes:
1. Source: Statistics Canada
2. CPI values for Yellowknife and Whitehorse include estimates of price changes for owned accommodation based on the price of rental accommodation. As a result, the all-items indexes published for these centres are not strictly comparable to those for Canada and Edmonton.